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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St., SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Comment Deadlines Established Regarding the LightSquared Technical Working Group Report,
IB Docket No. 11-109

Dear Ms. Dortch:

As the Business Development Coordinator of Illinois Valley Community Development Organization (IVCDO), I am writing to express support for LightSquared's plans to bring a much-needed 4G-LTE wireless network that would serve rural Oregon and most of the United States.

This proposal promises to bring fast wireless speeds to currently underserved areas of our region, reducing the very real "digital divide" and creating new opportunities for local businesses. LightSquared's wholesale 4G network will increase sorely needed competition by enabling a diverse group of companies to sell wireless broadband – including retailers, cable operators, device manufacturers, Internet content creators and application providers. By making it possible for dozens of new competitors to bring high-speed wireless Internet and serviceability for the new generation of wireless devices through all 50 states, this plan should increase competition, improve service and drive down prices.

Improving wireless broadband speed and reliability is especially important in rural Oregon and to the businesses I work with every day. The build out of the LightSquared network carries with it great economic potential to help revitalize the economy with new opportunities for job creation.

Please work to ensure that this important new mobile broadband service comes to Oregon as soon as possible as the build out of the LightSquared network carries with it great economic potential. The company plans on investing \$14 billion in the creation of its network and anticipates creating 100,000 direct and indirect private sector jobs over the next five years through the build-out, administration, and utilization of the network.

Ultimately, Oregon businesses stand to gain real benefits and Oregon citizens stand to gain good jobs from the creation of the LightSquared network.

Please work to ensure that this important new mobile broadband service comes to Oregon as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Kenny Houck
Business Development Coordinator